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Booneville is the Owsley County seat. This image dates to about 1910. Kentucky Historical Society, Ronald Morgan Kentucky Postcard Collection, Graphic5.Box1.330.

OWSLEY COUNTY: BOONEVILLE NAME HONORS DANIEL

Booneville might have remained Boone's Station, Moores Station or even Owsley Court House. Daniel Boone's party camped in the area in 1780-1781. The Moores settled there in the late 1800s and the post office was called Owsley Courthouse (for Gov. William Owsley) when it opened in 1844. Boone trumped them all and the name became Booneville when the city was incorporated in 1846.



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